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Dear Sir,

I have received a letter
from some Russian friends
in Bizerte (Africa) (who are there
with the remains of our fleet),
with a catalogue of 155 pieces
of different money (paper), collected
during all these years of Russian
Revolution, which they
would like to sell.

The price they want - is around
\$ 2.000.000 - that depends on
the exchange.

If You would be so
very kind and inform me
if You think it possible
for the Museum to buy
them or let me know -
if You think anybody
would be anxious to have
this collection, and
I would write to Africa
and have them send it.

here, because at-present—
I only have a Russian
catalogue of the different
pieces of money.

If I see also think
that the price is too large—
I shall notify them and
find out if they would
be willing to sell it for less.
The collection is a quite unusual
one I and I think it must be
worth having it. Please
excuse my troubling you

Sincerely A. de Beausset

to Mrs. E. B. Cassatt.

1932 Rittenhouse St. Phila. Pa.

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January 21st, 1922

Miss A. de Beausset
C/o Mrs. E. B. Cassatt
1932 Rittenhouse Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

If the collection about which you write is of paper money, I doubt if you could get anything for it as no one collects this paper money. And if they did, they could pick it up for almost nothing.

If the collection is composed of coins, they would have some value; but I could say right now that no 155 Russian coins would be worth anywhere near Two Thousand Dollars in this country.

Very truly yours,

Curat or

HW/E